SLEEPY DAVID;

The Tin Peddler's Ruse.

The following story, extracted from the work, "A Yankee Among the Nalliflers," purports to be sold by a South Carolinian:

The Yankees, as I said before, are apt to be too cute for us in everything but horseflesh, and years ago, on this spot, that I entered my horse other borses, and fine ones too, entered against him, but they were no touch to "Southern," and I was as sure of winning as I am of sitting here this moment—when, who should come along but a Yankee with a tin cart! He had the shabblest, worst-looking horse I ever put my eyes on. He was a lean, slab-sided, crooked-legged "critter" as ever went on four legs. He stood all the time as if he was asleep—in fact his owner called him "Sleepy David." In short, sir, he was such a horse as would not have brought twenty dollars.

It was near the hour of starting, when the peddler, whose exterior corresponded marvelously with that of his horse, and who said his name was Zadock Berber, to the autonishment of all, Your horse!" exclaimed I—"what, that sleepy looking deel there? You'd better entered him for the turkey buzzards." "Not as you knows on, Mister," resumed the Yankee, with some show of spirit. To be sure the critter is rather sleepy as he stands, and on

that account I call him 'Sleepy David,' but he's a forfired amart hose for all that. He's like a singed cat, a darned sight better nor he looks. I should like tarnation well to try him against some of your South Carolina horses. To be sure. I don't come all the way from home for that purpose; but as I was coming out this way on a load of tin and other notions, I thought I might itme it to kill two birds with one stone, for, thinks I to myself, if I can win the purse and peddle off the notions at the same time, I shall make a plaguy good spec. But I had to hurry on like the nation to get here in time, and that's one reason my hoss looks so shabby and out of fix this morning. But for all that he'll perform a day's work, I tell you."

Supposing he had no idea of running his borse, and that all he said was merely to gratify his propensity for talking, I bade him begone, and not trouble me with his Yankee palaver.

"Why, Mister, this a free country, and a man an right to talk or let it alone, just as be can afford. Now, I've taken a great deal of pains to get here this morning in order to run "Sleepy David" against some of your Southern hosses. I ain't joking, sir, I'm in airnest. I understand there is a purse of two thousand dollars, and I should like amazing to pick it up." "You talk of picking up two thousand dollars

with that bit of carrion of yours! Away with you, and don't trouble me any more." "Well, If I can't run, I suppose I can't; but it's darned hard anyhow for a man to take so much pains as I have to come up to the

races, and then cap't run after all." "It's too late now; by the rules of the course, the horse should have been entered yesterday; however, if you'll plank the entrance money. I said this by way of getting aid of the fellow.

of the sum required. "How much might the entrance money be?" drawing out a purse containing a few shillings in silver and a few pence in copper. "If 'tain't more nor a quarter dollar or so, I'll plank it on

"It is two hundred dollars."
"Two hundred!" exclaimed the Yankee. "By gauley, what a price! Why they axed me only twenty-five cents to see the hull caravan in New York. Two hundred dollars! Why, you must be joking now—bless me! my hull load of tin-ware, hoss, wagon and all would not fetch that But, Mister, don't you think I could get in for

"Nothing short of two hundred Jollars, and that must be paid in five minutes." We now thought we had got rid of the fellow but he returned to the charge, and asked if fifty dollars would not do, then seventy, then a hundred, and finding he could not make a bargain for less than the regular sum, he engaged to give it provided he could find any one to loan it to him, for which he would pawn his wagon-load of notions and "Sleepy David" to boot. He asked one and then another to accommodate him with a loan-declaring if he ever took the purse. the money should be returned, and he would give a dozen tin whistles into the bargain. He however got more curses than coppers, until some wag, who had plenty of money, and liked to see the sport go on, lent him the two hundred dol lars out of sheer malice. Though it afterwards turned out that the Yankee had plenty of money about him and was merely playing the possum all

His next object was to borrow a saddle. In this be was also accommodated; and taking Sleepy David" from the tin cart, he scrambled upon his back and took his station upon the course. You never saw a fellow sit on a horse so awkwardly in your life. Everyone said he would fall off before he had gone a hundred yards-and some, out of compassion, orged him

"Not by a darned sight " exclaimed he. "De you think I'm a darned fool as to pay two hundred dollars and then withdraw and not run after

would withdraw before the heat. Contrary to all expectation, however, he persevered, and of fered one thousand dellars on the issue of the

"The fellow's a fool," said one. "He don't know which side of his bread is buttered, or else he wouldn't bet any money on so desperate a stake."

"He's safe enough there," said a third, "for he has no more to risk. Here, however, all were mistaken again, for the peddler hauled out a greasy old pocket-book. and planked the thousand dollars. It was covered, of course. But I confess I now began to be staggered, and to suspect the Yankee was, after all, more rogue than fool. I had no fears, however, for the purse. "Southern" was not a

horse to be distanced by such a miserable ani-

mal as "Sleepy David. The second heat was now commenced, and if I had felt entire confidence in the noble " Southern' that confidence was strongthened as I again saw him coming in ahead of the rest. I considered the purse as now my own property. In imagination I had grasped it and about putting it rafely in my pocket, when, lo! and behold! the peddler's borse shot forward as if the Devil had kicked

him, and stretching his neck like a crane, won the heat by a head. Everybody was astonished.

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"At least he has the Devil to back him," said "I was sure he would play some cursed Yankee trick before he got through," said a third. Such were the observations that passed from

The Yankee, in the meantime, offered to take another thousand dollar bet, but nobody felt dis-posed to bet with him, and it was well they didn't, for the third heat "Sleepy David" not

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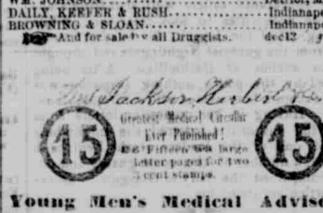
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